

SILON, I CAN'T LET
YOU GO TO BASLEIA.



BUT AKEEN SAID-

AKEEN CARES ABOUT YOU VERY MUCH







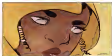
I'M SUPPOSED TO BE
THE BLIND ONE

WHY CAN'T YOU SEE THAT BASILEIN
IS THE PLACE I'M MEANT TO BE?



ARE YOU CERTAIN YOU
WANT TO PROCEED?







HE WAS YOUR MOTHER'S CLOSEST
AND OLDEST FRIEND AND I WANT TO
KEEP YOU SAFE MUCH AS HE DOES



YOUR MOTHER WAS WELL LOVED AND
SHE WOULD WANT US TO PROTECT YOU

I'M SORRY SHELBY I WON'T RISK YOUR LIFE



WE'VE LOST ENOUGH OF OUR
PEOPLE THROUGHOUT HISTORY

AKEEN TOLD ME YOUR REASONS FOR
GOING. FRANKLY I'M AMAZED THAT YOU
EVEN KNOW OF THE OTHER WELDERS

I HAVE MADE SURE TO ISOLATE
THIS TRIBE FROM ALL CONTACT
WITH THE OTHER RACES.



IT'S... I HAVE THESE DREAMS
SOMETIMES AND I CAN SEE THINGS



SALON

AKSHI SPOKE WITH ME



COME TO MY TENT A MOMENT





IT'S BECOMING MORE DIFFICULT
TO GET TO THEM





I CANNOT BE THE WEAK ONE



WE NEED MORE ASSASSINS. FIND
SOME ABLE-BODIED YOUTHS AND
BRING THEM TO ME IMMEDIATELY.



AS YOU WISH





IS EVERYTHING ALRIGHT?





YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND THAT I
WAS SILENT FOR YOUR PROTECTION

AND THE TRIBE MOTHER
ENCOURAGED THIS

THEN YOU KNOW THAT I NEED
TO GO TO THE CAPITAL. I
HAVE TO JOIN THE OTHERS



HOW DID YOU FIND
OUT ABOUT THEM?

I DON'T RESENT YOU OR ANDEM FOR YOUR
DECISIONS. I JUST WANT YOU TO UNDER-
STAND THAT I MUST GO TO BASILEIA.





I REALIZE NOW THAT IT WAS FUTILE TO KEEP
THE TRUTH FROM YOU. GHATIKAN WIELDERS
ARE KNOWN TO HAVE THE GIFT OF FORESIGHT.

BUT IT HAS BEEN SO LONG
SINCE WE'VE HAD A WIELDER



SHLOTH? ARE YOU READY TO
HAVE SOME BREAKFAST?

YES



BUT NOT IMPOSSIBLE.

THE GHATIKAMS ARE BEING TRACKED
DOWN AT THIS VERY MOMENT. FOCUS
ON THE OTHERS IN THE MEANTIME.



THE HOUSE HAS NEW AND
POWERFUL SECURITY SYS-
TEMS IT WON'T BE EASY TO-

THEY MAY HAVE FULLY AUTOMATED THEIR
SECURITY, BUT IT STILL NEEDS TO RUN ON
POWER. I'M SURE HE CAN ARRANGE ACCESS.

I'LL ASK THE TRIBE MOTHER

THANK YOU



SHE AGREES WITH ME ON KEEP-
ING YOU SAFE HERE. YOUR
MOTHER WOULD HAVE WANTED--



MY MOTHER IS DEAD. ANEEM
AND YOU CAN'T KEEP HIDING
WHAT I AM FROM ME ANYMORE.

I THINK I'VE DECIDED TO
GO TO THE CAPITAL



SHILOH, WE'VE TALKED ABOUT THIS
JUST THE THOUGHT OF YOU GOING
ALONE TO EXPLORE THE CAPITAL-

I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF!
IF I COULD JUST SPEAK WITH
THE TRIBE MOTHER AND-







UNDER THE AEGIS

BY VINCENT



WHAT MORE IS THERE FOR US TO DO?
OUR PEOPLE HAVE ALL BUT DIED OUT

GETTING RID OF THE WELDERS HAS
BEEN OUR SOLE PURPOSE FOR CEN-
TURIES AND I WILL NOT BE A FAILURE
TO THIS RACE OR TO OUR CAUSE.

